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1. The former Naval Depot located on Troyka Square, in Burgas, is now being used as a barracks for the "Chekists," or Bulgarian Interior Army (Vütreshna Voyska), or MVR (Ministerstvo na Vütreshnite Raboti; Ministry of Internal Affairs). This building has the shape of a "U", with a central court; each of the two sides is 20 meters in length. After nationalization, this building was used as a labor school, and later it became a barracks. It is a 2-story building and has a capacity of 600 men.

2. The troops quartered here serve as guards at the local prison and at the gasoline and fuel oil dumps. The guard at the entrance to the port of Burgas also has a permanent detail from the MVR unit. The prison guard consists of 30 soldiers and is changed every 24 hours. Soldiers on sentry duty are armed with light machine guns and automatic rifles. At other times, they are armed only with rifles.

3. Troops of the Vütreshna Voyska are sent to the various villages of Burgas Okoliya to search for fugitives from forced labor camps of Trudovak companies. Soldiers who "concern themselves too much with their own personal interests" (sic) are sent to disciplinary prisons in Sliven where they are completely isolated. Cases such as this are quite frequent.

4. Another larger Voyska MVR detachment is located in Khaskovo, and is allegedly composed of 1,200 men. They drill daily in groups of 60 or 70 men, armed with light machine guns, automatic rifles, or rifles.

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